

CHILDREN'S HEALTH ACT OF 2000 CONCUR IN THE SENATE AMENDMENT

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against a motion to concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 4365, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to children's health. The rule provides one hour of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Commerce. Testimony was heard from Representative Scott.

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported on the legislative day of September 27, 2000, providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 4578) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon. Finally, the rule lays H. Res. 586 and 592 on the table.

TAX CODE AND THE NEW ECONOMY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the Tax Code and the New Economy. Testimony was heard from Representative Minge; Jonathan Talisman, Acting Assistant Secretary, Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue September 28.

SOCIAL SECURITY NOTICES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Social Security Notices. Testimony was heard from William A. Halter, Deputy Commissioner, SSA; and Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Associate Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO.

UPDATE ON DOE/NNSA BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Update on DOE/NNSA. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

STATUS OF COUNTERESPIONAGE INVESTIGATIONS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Status of Counterespionage Investigations. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

VETERANS PROGRAMS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the American Legion, after receiving testimony from Ray G. Smith, American Legion, Washington, D.C.

TRAFFICKING VICTIMS PROTECTION ACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 3244, to combat trafficking of persons, especially into the sex trade, slavery, and slavery-like conditions in the United States and countries around the world through prevention, through prosecution and enforcement against traffickers, and through protection and assistance to victims of trafficking, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Subcommittee on Research, Nutrition, and General Legislation, to hold hearings on Department of Agriculture financial management issues, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the status of U.S. military readiness, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the marketing of violence to children, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Clean Air Act, 2:15 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to mark up H.R. 4844, to modernize the financing of the railroad retirement system and to provide enhanced benefits to employees and beneficiaries, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., S-116 Capitol.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings on S. 2052, to establish a demonstration project to authorize the integration and coordination of Federal funding dedicated to community, business, and the economic development of Native American communities; to be followed by a business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Oversight, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Wen Ho Lee case, 9 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to review the implementation of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the state of the Armed Services and future military requirements, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing on the Future of the Interactive Television Services Marketplace: What Should Consumers Expect? 9 a.m., and to continue markup of H.R. 5154, Transportation Information Recall Enhancement Act, 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, hearing on Urban Renewal in Minority Communities, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations, hearing on Gulf War Veterans: Linking Exposures to Illnesses, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Russia: How Vladimir Putin Rose to Power and What America Can Expect, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on AIDS in Africa: Steps to Prevention, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, hearing on Computer Security Lapses: Should FAA Be Grounded? 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to consider the following: GSA's Fiscal Year 2001 Leasing Program; an amendment to a previous resolution in Laredo, Texas; and other pending business, 3 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation, to consider the following: GSA's Fiscal Year 2001 Leasing Program; an amendment to a previous resolution in Laredo, Texas; and other pending business, 2 p.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on licensing and credentialing of military job skills for civilian employment, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Veterans Employment and Training Service program effectiveness and strategic planning, 10 a.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, to mark up the Flexible Funding for Child Protection Act of 2000, 10:30 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings on strategic petroleum reserve, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn Building.